

## REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for noting the omission of copies of references M, Q, and S in the Information Disclosure Statement filed 26 March 2001. A further Information Disclosure Statement enclosing copies of said references is filed herewith.

Figure 4A is amended, as set forth below, in response to the objections to the drawings set forth in the Office Action.

Claims 1, 4-7, and 9-11 have been canceled. Claims 2 and 8 have been amended to incorporate the base claim and any intervening claims. New claims 12-20 have been added. As a result, claims 2, 3, 8, and 12-20 are pending.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 2, 3, and 8 contain allowable subject matter. Claims 2 and 8 have been amended to include all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Claim 3 depends from claim 2. It is therefore believed that claims 2, 3, and 8 are allowable.

Claims 12-14 recite systems for carrying out the methods of claims 2, 3, and 8, respectively. Therefore, it is believed that claims 12-14 are also allowable.

Claims 15-17 recite program code for carrying out the methods of claims 2, 3, and 8, respectively. Therefore, it is believed that claims 15-17 are also allowable.

Claims 18-20 also recite program code for carrying out the methods of claims 2, 3, and 8, respectively. Therefore, it is believed that claims 18-20 are also allowable.